
REGULAR SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING

September 13, 2022

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Hanover Township, Northampton County, was called to order by Chairman John Nagle at the Hanover Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, PA, 18017 at 7:00 P.M.

Present were Supervisors Warren, Lawless, Prendeville, Engineer Brien Kocher, Solicitor Jim Broughal, and Manager Finnigan.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

Upon motion of Mr. Warren, seconded by Ms. Lawless, the Board approved the agenda.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

Upon motion of Ms. Lawless seconded by Mr. Warren, the Board approved the minutes from the meeting of the Board of Supervisors dated August 23, 2022.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

Upon motion of Ms. Lawless seconded by Mr. Warren, the Board approved the list of bills and transfers dated September 13, 2022.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

No one offered comments.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Mr. Nagle reported the Hanover Carnival was Wednesday September 7th – 10th, 2022. It rained on Wednesday; but excellent weather for the weekend; and very good turnout the rest of the days. On Sunday, September 11 Mr. Nagle attended the very moving 9/11 ceremony – the main speaker was Joe Zator, a veteran and retired Captain who spoke for about 20 minutes on what 9/11 meant to him.

REPORT OF THE VICE CHAIR

Mr. Prendeville has nothing to report.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Nagle – Road District #1, had nothing to report.

Mr. Diacogiannis– Road District #2, absent

Mr. Warren – Road District #3, had nothing to report.

Ms. Lawless – Road District #4, had nothing to report. But did clarify for everyone that when the Chairman asks for discussion after an agenda item; the Board goes first, then the audience can ask a question by raising their hand and getting the Chairman's attention.

Mr. Prendeville – Road District #5, had nothing to report.

STAFF REPORTS I

Recreation Director – Mr. Byrne stated a new class will be starting on Wednesday, September 21 called Shine Down Fitness, Wednesdays from 5 pm to 6 pm, full body high intensity training. On September 17, 10am -3pm Endless Possibilities event will have vendors, music, and food for humans and dogs. Fall pickleball clinics starting September 20 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm every Tuesday. Starting on December 13, there will be beginner and intermediate level; members \$6, non-members \$8.

Fall Fest on October 1st from 2 pm to 5 pm; there will be a DJ, hayrides, 600 pumpkins for decorating, face painting, balloon making, wood carver carving a bear bench, smore's station, food truck. The bear bench that will be raffled off. Staff will be asked to dress in costume for the event.

A free car seat check will be on September 24, 2022, 10 am to 1 pm sponsored by Hof & Reid, LLC.

Piano lessons – three pianos have just been tuned.

Martial Arts continues Monday and Wednesday for two age groups, youth group ages 6-14, 6pm to 7 pm and adults aged 14 +, 7:30 to 9 pm – cost is \$100 for 9 sessions.

Saturday, October 15 will be HTCC's first Trunk or Treat; 11 am to 1 pm. Vero is promoting and sponsoring.

Pre-register your vehicle and required to bring 100 pieces of candy.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS – BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Mr. Warren's initial resignation from the board was effective September 30 due to moving to Bethlehem Township. Chairman has asked Mr. Warren to extend his resignation date to sometime in October.

PLANNING & ZONING – Ms. Lawless

Stormwater Ordinance

Ms. Lawless moved the Board to authorize the Township Solicitor to advertise an ordinance amending Chapter 152 Stormwater Management of the Township of Hanover. Mr. Broughal stated a few changes are needed to be in compliance with DEP for our MS4 permit renewal. Township Manager, Mr. Finnigan stated that the MS-4 reporting due September 30, 2022, has been filed.

Mr. Warren seconded the motion.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

Hold Harmless – 4280 Vassar Ave

Ms. Lawless moved the Board to authorize the Chairman and Assistant Secretary to sign the hold harmless agreement for the installation of a fence on the property located at 4280 Vassar Ave. Bethlehem, PA 18017. The proposed structure will encroach into the twenty-foot Township drainage and utility easement in the rear yard located on the Premises.

Mr. Warren seconded the motion.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

ADMINISTRATION – Mr. Prendeville

Resolution – DCED Public Safety Grant

Mr. Prendeville moved the Board to adopt Resolution 22-16, stating Hanover Township Northampton County's desire to apply for grants with the Northampton County Department of Community

and Economic Development from the 2022 Public Safety Grant Program. The Township is requesting a 2022 Public Safety grant of \$12,100.00 from the Northampton County Department of Economic & Community Development to be used for Colonial Regional Police Department to purchase seventeen (17) ballistic shields and twenty (20) ballistic helmets.

Township Manager Mr. Finnigan reviewed a recent incident in the Township where the requested ballistic shields and helmet would have been used, CRPD's current equipment is outdated. Mrs. Bucko stated the requested ballistic shields are rated to protect against AR-15's, upgraded from our current equipment which is rated for handguns.

Mr. Warren seconded the motion.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

Trick or Treat Night

Mr. Prendeville noted for the record Trick or Treat will be held on Friday, October 28, 2022, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm in Hanover Township.

Nazareth COG Ordinance

Mr. Prendeville moved the Board to adopt Ordinance 22-4 stating the addition of a new Chapter 15 Nazareth Area Multi-Municipal Plan, approving the articles of agreement between and among the governments of the Township of Bushkill, Lower Nazareth, Upper Nazareth, Moore, and Hanover; and the Borough of Nazareth, Bath, Stockertown, and Tatamy; and the Nazareth Area School District for inclusion of the Township of Hanover to the Nazareth Area Council of Governments and repealing all ordinances inconsistent herewith. Tracy from the Lehigh Planning Commission was on site to answer any questions.

Ms. Lawless seconded the motion.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

Nazareth COG Resolution

Mr. Prendeville moved the Board adopt Resolution 22-17, stating that Hanover Township adopt the Nazareth Area Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. Lawless seconded the motion.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

DEVELOPMENTS- Mr. Warren

Farmhouse Village – Extension

Mr. Warren moved that the Board grant the developer of Farmhouse Village an extension to November 30, 2022, regarding the MPC deadline, per the developer letter dated September 9, 2022.

Mr. Prendeville seconded the motion.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

6292 Hanoverville Road Subdivision – Extension

Mr. Warren moved the Board grant the developer of 6292 Hanoverville Road Subdivision an extension to November 30, 2022, regarding the MPC deadline, per the developer letter dated September 9, 2022.

Mr. Prendeville seconded the motion.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

HCC2 – Jaindl – Extension

Mr. Warren moved the Board grant the developer of HCC2 – Jaindl an extension to September 30, 2023, to complete the Rte. 512/Brodhead/Crawford Intersection improvements, per the developer letter dated September 12, 2022.

Ms. Prendeville seconded the motion.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

Freshpet Plant #2

Mr. Warren moved the Board grant the developer of Freshpet Plant #2 an extension to November 1, 2022, to complete the improvements, per their request letter dated August 30, 2022.

Mr. Prendeville seconded the motion.

Mr. Warren aye, Ms. Lawless aye, Mr. Prendeville aye, Mr. Nagle aye.

PUBLIC WORKS- Mr. Prendeville

Mr. Prendeville stated the pool bids are due Friday, September 16, 2022, at noon. To date two general contractors have called with questions and one pool contractor Main Line Commercial Pools has picked up a bid packet.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

No one offered comments.

STAFF REPORTS II

Engineer – Mr. Kocher stated that with our agreement to sign the Nazareth Area Multi-Municipal Plan; all municipalities are on board.

Solicitor – Mr. Broughal had nothing to report

Public Works - Mr. Milite had nothing to report

Treasurer – Mrs. Bucko reminded everyone of the first public budget workshop meeting will be on Tuesday, September 20 at 7 pm. Mrs. Bucko stated that the second half of the American Rescue Funds were received.

Township Manager – Mr. Finnigan stated that we had issues with carnival pricing and based on the vendors response to Mr. Milite when he questioned it was basically, we need to find another vendor. Mr. Finnigan gave an update on CRPD hiring process – candidates have taken the written test and will then have the physical test on Saturday. Eight individuals failed – there are 16 officer candidates. The next steps are the background checks. Detective Gary Hammer will be retiring at the end of September. Mr. Finnigan thanked Mrs. Bucko for her work over the past few months.

Mr. Finnigan stated Community Utilities are still waiting on prices for option 1, relocation and addition of hydrants.

Mr. Finnigan stated today there was a major water line break on Chaucer; a 5-foot section of the water main needed to be replaced.

Mr. Finnigan stated that there will be a detour for Brodhead Rd for two - three days as the tracks at 191 and Brodhead Road will be replaced by Southern Norfolk. Detour will put additional traffic on 512 and our local roads.

Upon motion of Mr. Nagle the Board adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Beth A. Bucko
Assistant Secretary